

#### **2021 Budget Priorities**

- 1) Improve our neighborhoods +
- 2) Support our small businesses +
- 3) <u>Provide top-notch public services, spaces, & amenities = </u>

#### **2021 Budget Priorities**

#### WHY these three priorities?

Safe, clean & healthy **neighborhoods**, vibrant **small businesses** and top-notch public services, spaces (parks & common areas), and amenities retain/attract the workforce/intellectual capital we need to grow our **large business** base. Conversely, larger businesses provide job opportunities for our residents, allow us to keep utility rates stable, provide income taxes to support basic services and the workforce will invest in our neighborhoods, improve our school performance & support our small biz. This creates the virtuous economic & social cycles we desire.

## Larger Businesses

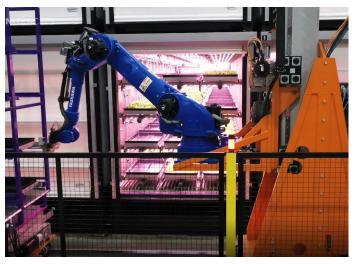






















| NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS 2010 TOP TEN EMPLOYERS | NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS 2019 TOP TEN EMPLOYERS |
|--|--|
| 1250 FORT HAMILTON HOSPITAL                | 1500 BUTLER COUNTY                         |
| 1250 HAMILTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT         | 1185 HAMILTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT         |
| 900 BUTLER COUNTY                          | 1010 FORT HAMILTON HOSPITAL                |
| 650 CITY OF HAMILTON                       | 700 THYSSENKRUPP BILSTEIN                  |
| 400 FIRST FINANCIAL BANK                   | 650 COMMUNITY FIRST SOLUTIONS              |
| 325 MEIJER                                 | 622 CITY OF HAMILTON                       |
| 300 THE KROGER COMPANY                     | 400 MIAMI UNIVERSITY                       |
| 250 GE AVIATION                            | 300 BARCLAYCARD                            |
| 200 SMART PAPERS LLC                       | 290 DARANA HYBRID                          |
| 200 THYSSENKRUPP BILSTEIN                  | 245 BETHESDA BUTLER HOSPITAL               |

Total: 5,725 jobs

Total: 6,902 jobs

Others: Salvagnini, 80 Acres, iMFLUX, Saica, Valeo, Synergy, Kirsch CPA, ODW Logistics, United Performance Metals, Connector Manufacturing

#### 2021 Budget Actions - HOW? (1 of 4)

- Fire Quint Replacement \$750,000
- Two New Fire Engines \$475,000 each
- Police Cruisers \$350,000
- Fire Station #25 Rehabilitation \$300,000
- New Life squad \$200,000 Purchased with CARES Act funds
- Police Body Cameras and Tasers \$150,000
- Police Headquarter Repairs \$50,000
- Fire Station #21 Rehabilitation \$40,000

#### 2021 Budget Actions - HOW? (2 of 4)

- Perform a comprehensive Blight Audit: \$50,000
- Enhance code enforcement efforts: \$171,000
- Create and enforce at-risk property registries: (ProChamps)
- Double demolition budget to: \$200,000
- Purchase additional equipment for Quick Strike Team: \$300,000

#### 2021 Budget Actions - HOW? (3 of 4)

- Proactive investment of \$27 million in utility and roadway upgrades/improvements to provide safe and reliable services to our residential users and to assist current businesses and attract new, larger businesses
  - Investing \$17MM in HEP to increase electric and water service and reliability
  - Modernizing/improving utility plants \$7.4MM
  - Replacement of distribution and collection system infrastructure (poles, sewers, mains) - \$8.98MM

#### 2021 Budget Actions - HOW? (4 of 4)

- Expand Hamilton's Craft & Cocktail Quest Program
- Launch 'Operation Takeout' to support our restaurants
- Work directly with small businesses to enhance digital footprint & ecommerce capabilities
- Evaluate other take-out and curbside parking opportunities
- Expand outdoor dining locations

# 2021 Budget Nuts & Bolts



- The proposed budget is not structurally balanced. We have a \$1.59 mm deficit that will be covered by fund balance.
- Actual 2020 income tax collections through October plus November and December projected compared to 2019 Actual through December (highest collection year) is projected to be down \$509,000 or 2.2%. We are projecting to meet the 2020 budget for income tax revenues. Excludes JEDD's.
- 2021 income tax revenue is budgeted down conservatively at \$21.6 mm, down \$400,000 or 1.8% from 2020 (\$22.0 mm budgeted)
- Public Safety (includes Courts and 911 Dispatch) is budgeted to be 70.4% of 2021 GF Expenses





- Reimbursements from other funds to the General Fund are down \$352k. This includes a \$346k reduction to the four utility funds and is a result of decreased budgets in various departments throughout the General Fund that are partially reimbursed through interfund chargebacks
- Planning, Civil Service and Finance combined are down \$493k compared to the 2020 Adopted Budget.



#### **INCOME TAX Overview**

Income Tax Collections through December

2020 General Fund Income Tax Budget \$22 mm

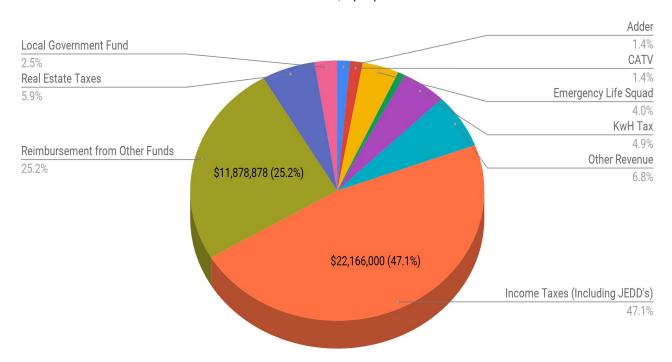
**Excludes JEDD's** 

\*2020 November and December Projected

|           | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> | <u>Change</u> |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| January   | 1,903,068   | 2,031,039   | 127,971       |
| February  | 1,640,465   | 1,722,942   | 82,477        |
| March     | 1,687,016   | 1,561,172   | (125,844)     |
| April     | 2,330,420   | 1,806,718   | (523,702)     |
| May       | 2,624,289   | 736,526     | (1,887,763)   |
| June      | 1,796,227   | 1,559,585   | (236,642)     |
| July      | 1,790,079   | 2,204,185   | 414,106       |
| August    | 1,886,616   | 2,470,543   | 583,927       |
| September | 1,786,443   | 1,789,159   | 2716          |
| October   | 1,829,949   | 2,738,280   | 908,331       |
| November  | 1,510,852   | 2,141,492*  | 630,640       |
| December  | 1,985,049   | 1,500,000*  | (485,049)     |
| Total     | 22,770,473  | 22,261,641  | (\$508,832)   |

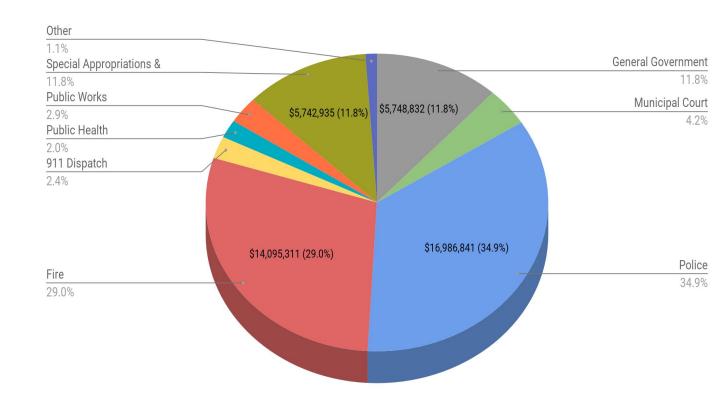
2021 income tax projections were reduced by 5% of 2019 actual collected. Budgeted Reimbursement from Other Funds decreased \$352k or 2.87% compared to 2020 Adopted Budget. This includes a \$346k reduction to the four utility funds and is a result of decreased budgets in various departments throughout the General Fund that are partially reimbursed through interfund chargebacks.

#### 2021 General Fund Proposed Budget - Revenue Grand Total \$47,081,274



#### 2021 General Fund Proposed Budget - Expenditures Grand Total \$48,670,652

Public Safety 70.43%



\*Neighborhoods added an additional position during 2020 not included in the 2020 adopted budget.

\*\*Building added one new Electric Inspector in anticipation of current Electric Inspector 2021 retirement.

\*\*\*Planning is down due to attritioning positions.

| Department    | 2020 Adopted | 2021 Proposed | \$ Change | % Change |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|----------|
| City Council  | 80,613       | 87,852        | 7,239     | 8.98%    |
| City Clerk    | 102,361      | 97,076        | (5,285)   | (5.16%)  |
| City Manager  | 425,506      | 398,955       | (26,551)  | (6.24%)  |
| Neighborhoods | 348,231      | 490,229       | 141,998   | 40.78%   |
| Building**    | 556,770      | 655,579       | 98,809    | 17.75%   |
| Planning***   | 603,656      | 453,460       | (150,196) | (24.88%) |
| Civil Service | 535,363      | 420,983       | (114,380) | (21.36%) |

Departments shown have a 5% or greater change from 2020 to 2021

<sup>\*\*</sup>Additional \$232K included in 2020 adopted budget for transfer to Fund 215 for public safety equipment.

| Department                 | 2020 Adopted     | 2021 Proposed | \$ Change | % Change |
|----------------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|----------|
| Finance                    | 2,523,373        | 2,294,646     | (228,727) | (9.06%)  |
| Public Works               | 1,275,730        | 1,414,210     | 138,480   | 10.85%   |
| Health*                    | 1,279,953        | 956,024       | (323,929) | (25.31%) |
| Special<br>Appropriations* | 5,436,280        | 5,995,515     | 559,235   | 10.29%   |
| Transfers**                | <u>1,152,491</u> | 920,000       | (232,491) | (20.17%) |
| Total                      | \$14,320,327     | 14,184,529    | (135,798) | (0.94%)  |
| Total GF Budget            | \$47,859,400     | \$48,670,652  | \$811,252 | 1.70%    |

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<sup>\*</sup>Code Enforcement employees moved from Health Department budget to Special Appropriations -General Fund budget in 2021.

#### Public Safety Expenses

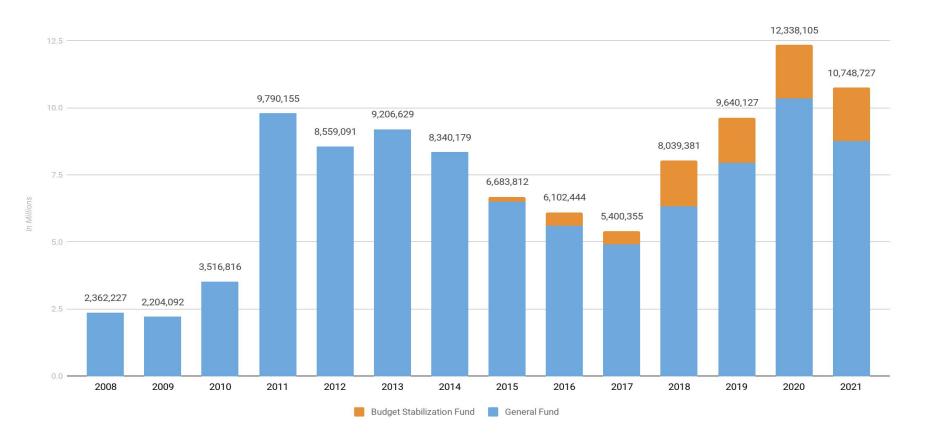
\*Includes cost of 7 School Resource Officers (SROs). Approximately \$380k (75%) will be reimbursed from Hamilton City Schools (HCS).

An additional 3 sworn officers will be reimbursed with grant revenue.

|        | Total 2016<br>Actual | Total 2021<br>Proposed | Total Change | Change in<br>Budgeted Sworn<br>Complement |
|--------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------|---|
| Police | 13,436,215           | 16,986,841             | 3,550,626    | +10*                                      |
| Fire   | 12,049,498           | 14,095,311             | 2,045,813    | +7  |
| Total  | \$25,485,713         | \$31,082,152           | \$5,596,439  | +17                                       |

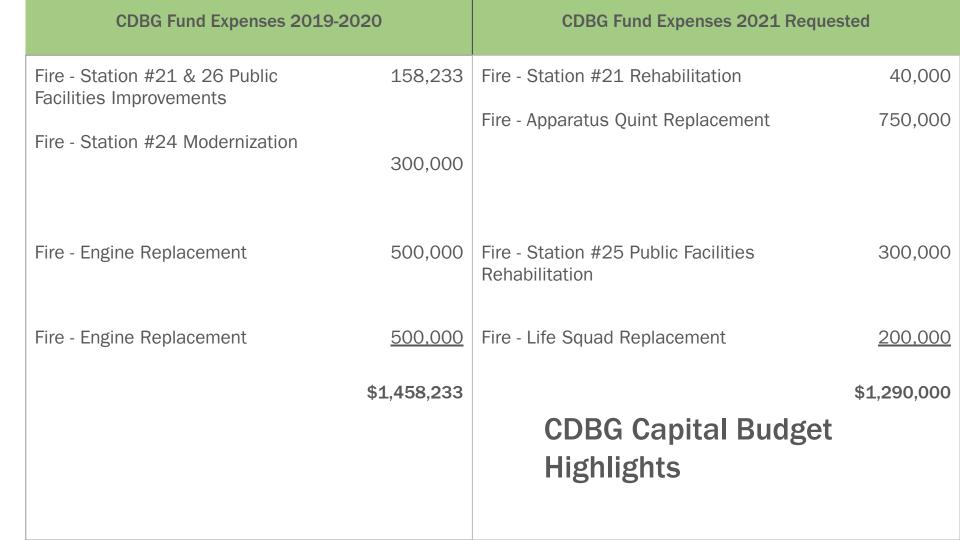
|   | 2020 Projected | 2021 Proposed |
|---|----------------|---------------|
| Beginning Year Fund Balance (01/01)           | \$8,636,701    | \$10,338,105  |
| Budgeted Revenues                             | \$47,859,400   | \$47,081,274  |
| Projected Revenue                             | \$46,859,400   | -             |
| Budgeted Expenditures                         | \$47,859,400   | \$48,670,652  |
| Projected Expenditures                        | \$44,457,996   | -             |
| Projected Ending Fund Balance (12/31)         | \$11,038,105   | \$8,748,727   |
| Outstanding Encumbrances                      | 700,000        | -             |
| Projected Ending Unencumbered Balance (12/31) | \$10,338,105   | \$8,748,727   |
| 10% of Revenues per City Policy (R2012-6-25)  | \$4,685,940    | \$4,708,127   |

#### **General Fund Ending Unencumbered Fund Balance**



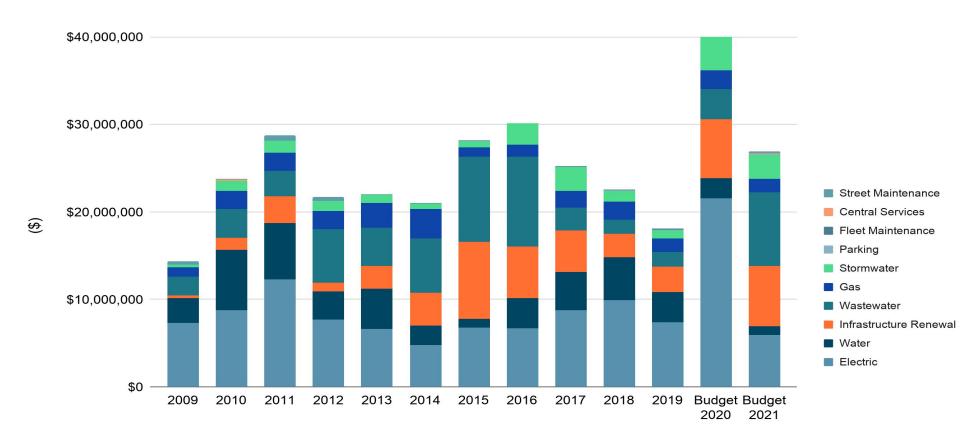
# General Fund Capital & Debt CDBG Funds

| Fund 215 (Cap & Debt Fund)     | Revenues    | Fund 215                                 |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|
| Income Taxes                   | 2,791,187   | Police - HQ Building Repairs             | 50,000      |
| Miscellaneous                  | 47,000      | Police - Cruisers                        | 350,000     |
| US Bank BAN Roll Proceeds      | 1,000,000   | Police - Body Worn Cameras               | 125,000     |
| County Reimbursement - B St.   | 2,500,000   | Police - Tasers                          | 25,000      |
| State Grant - Beltline         | 560,000     | US Bank BAN Roll                         | 1,000,000   |
|                                | \$6,898,187 | Beltline                                 | 800,000     |
|                                |             | B Street Improvements                    | 2,500,000   |
| Hamilton Capital &             |             | Parks Conservancy                        | 100,000     |
| Debt Fund Budget<br>Highlights |             | Other (Cap. Exp/Refunds/BTW Pool Repair) | 164,000     |
|                                |             | Transfers Out (Incl. Debt)               | 2,418,432   |
|                                |             | •  | \$7,532,432 |



# Proposed Capital Investments

## We are investing \$26.9MM of infrastructure improvements in our community



#### Neighborhoods: Streets Levy 2021

Neighborhoods in **BOLD** to have resident priority streets repaved, reconstructed, or maintained in 2021 using Streets Levy funds

**Armondale** 

Dayton Lane

Downtown/CBD

East End

**Enterprise Park** 

German Village

**Highland Park** 

Jefferson

Lindenwald

Millikin

**New London** 

North End

**Prospect Hill** 

**Riverview** 

Rossville

Taft PI/Governor's Hill

**Washington** 

Every neighborhood will recieve its proportionate share of Streets Levy funds throughout the duration of the Levy from '21 - '30 based on that neighborhood's % of centerline miles of roads in the city.

### Citywide Streets Levy Feedback

Completed 2020 -Grand Blvd

**Scheduled 2021** 2. Tylersville Rd

**Scheduled 2021** 3. Sanders Dr

**NW Washington Blvd** 

5. Cleveland Ave Scheduled 2021 (partial)

Scheduled 2022\* 6. Corwin Ave.

Park Ave

Completed 2020 8. Faton Ave.

9. Campbell Dr

10. Springvale Dr

#### **Public Investments (Streets)**

- 1. Concrete Repair and Resurfacing (\$2.125MM, \$1.05MM grant)
  - a. Elmont (from Hunt to Western)
  - b. Madison (from St Clair to Clinton Alley)
  - c. Monument (from Hurm to Neilan)
  - d. Hurm (entire)
  - e. Stephens (entire)
  - f. Highland (from Armo to Eaton)
  - g. Allen, Noyes, Hayes, Brough and Chase (from Benninghofen to Madison)
- 2. Tylersville Road (from Bypass 4 to HEP Drive) (\$2.7MM)





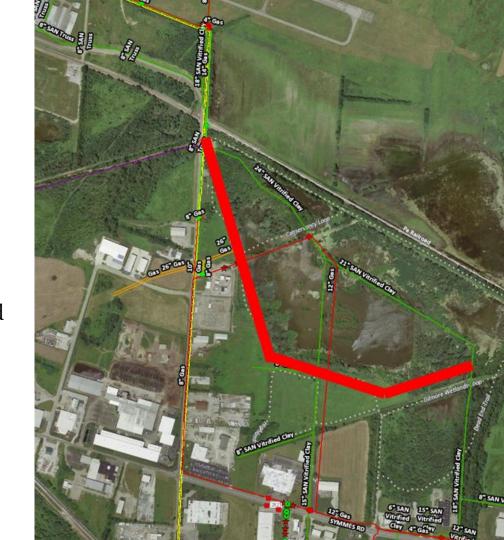


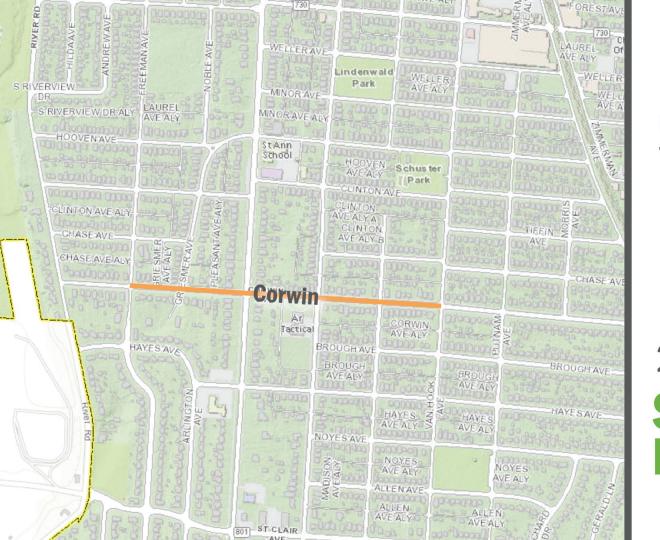
## Greenup Hydroelectric Plant Improvements (\$4.3MM)

- FERC Relicensing \$830K
- Plant Controls Upgrade \$700K
- Generator Step-Up Transformer \$600K
- Downstream Gate Upgrade -\$450K
- 138kV Cabling Replacement -\$450K

### Gilmore Ponds Sanitary Sewer Replacement (\$3.0MM)

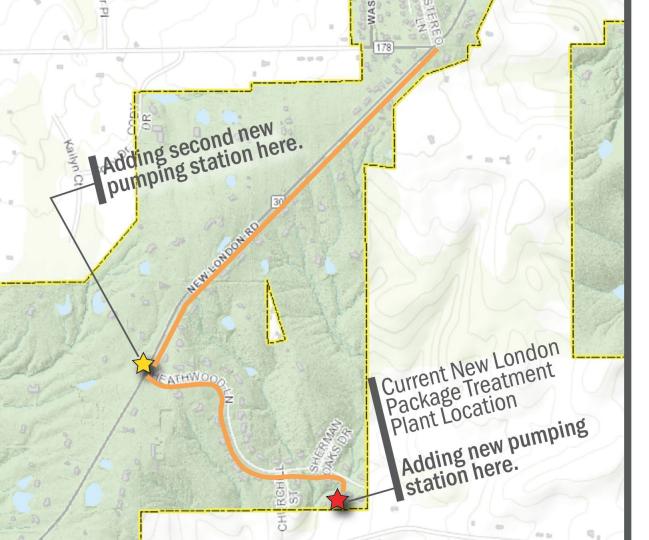
- Abandon 5,964 LF of vitrified clay pipe located in the wetlands of Gilmore MetroPark
- Install new PVC pipe along the proposed
   Miami 2 Miami recreational trail route
- Reduce inflow and infiltration
- Easier access to perform routine maintenance and inspections





\$2.6 Million

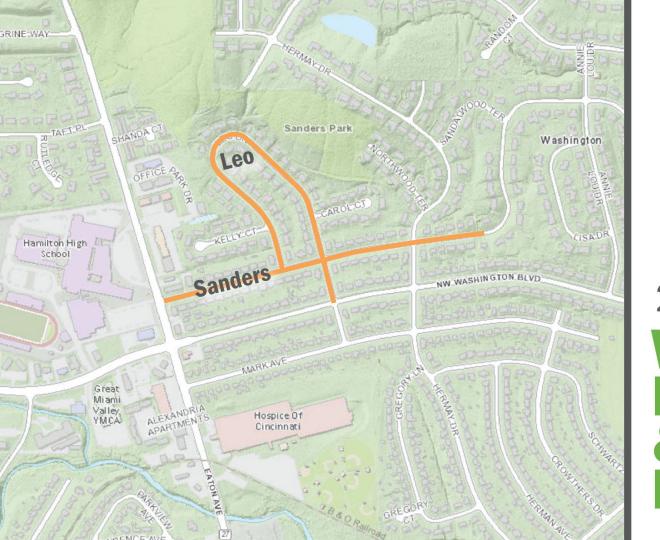
2021
Sanitary Sewer
Replacement



\$1.5
Million

2021

Pumping Stations & Sanitary Force Mains





2021

## Water Main Replacement & Street Resurfacing



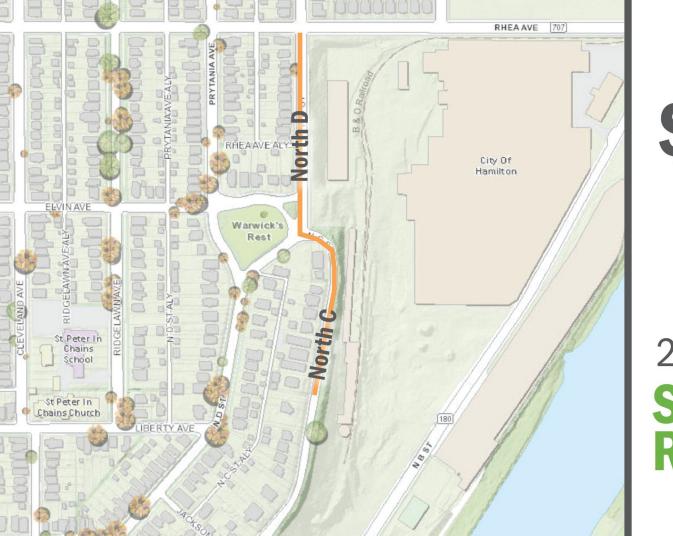
### Electric Pole Replacements (\$1.0MM)

Includes pole
 replacements, tree
 trimming, and parts
 (including
 transformers)

## Water Reclamation Plant Improvements (\$713K)

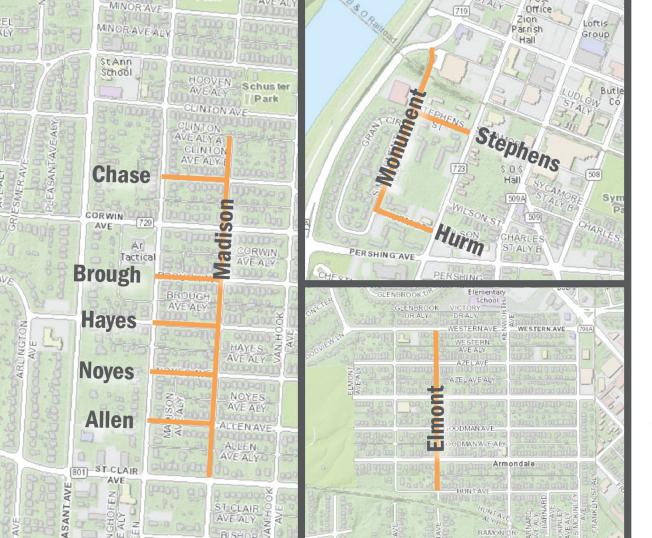
- Influent Pump Replacement \$250K
- Biosolids Loadout Engineering -\$100K
- Wet Weather Sewage Grinder -\$100K
- Overhead Crane for Main
   Equipment Building \$100K





## \$500k

2021 Storm Sewer Replacement





Includes \$1.05 Million grant

2021 Street Resurfacing





**Street Reconstruction** 

## **Centralized Traffic Signal System** (\$5.2MM total, \$4.2MM grant)

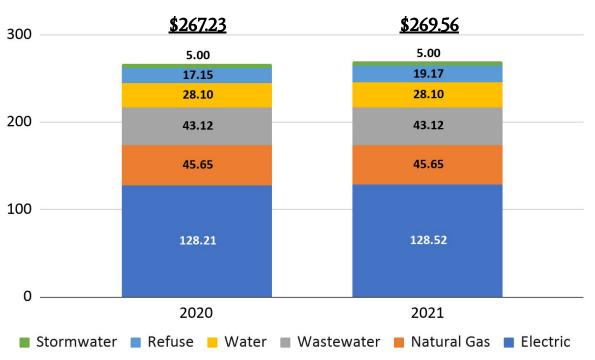
- Citywide signal upgrades
- \$5,251,094 Investment
- Design began in February 2020
- Construction to begin October 2021 with completion within 18-24 months
- Provides signal timings for real-time traffic conditions
- Adapts to changes in traffic as they happen, i.e., weather, construction, and major events
- Reduces or eliminates costs of manual traffic counts
- Provides new levels of mobility and safety





#### **Residential Utility Bills**

Total utility bill projected to increase less than 1%, or \$2.33 per month, for the average resident. The increase is mostly due to a 2021 increase in the residential refuse rate.





#### **Overview**

#### Collections

- Accounts receivables through September (\$1.7MM) down \$233K from the same period in 2019
- Customer Service with support of SELF and CARES Act funds has collected nearly all of the past due bill accumulated while disconnections were suspended
- Power and Gas Cost Recovery riders are appropriately recovering supply costs

#### COVID 19 Response

- Infrastructure funds delayed \$8.5MM of operating and capital projects to preserve fund balance
- Budget delays have offset slightly reduced revenues
- All utility funds projected to meet or exceed budgeted debt service coverage ratios and fund balance targets.

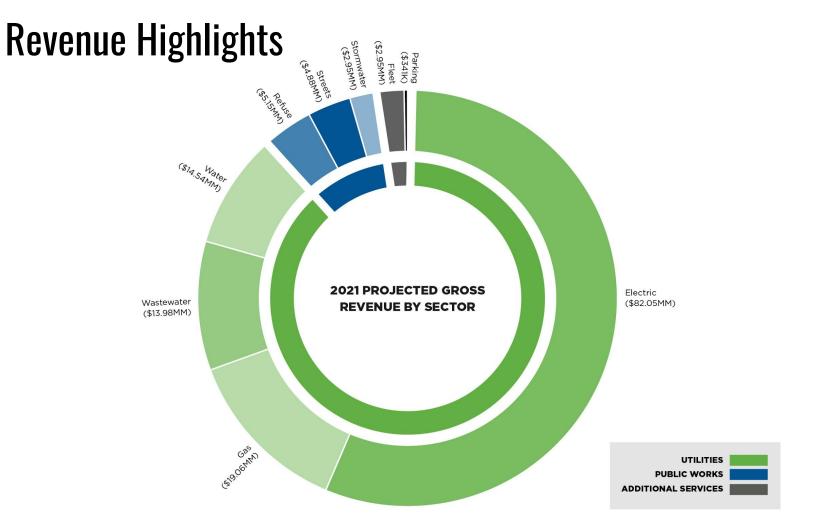
#### Customer Usage

- Natural Gas usage down 5% from last year due to more mild weather
- Electric usage down 1.7% from last year due to decreased commercial usage due to COVID
- Water usage up 2% from last year due to increased Butler County usage
- Wastewater flows down 2% from last year due to decreased Butler County flows

#### Annual Change in Consumption









## **O&M Highlights**

| Fund             | 2020 Budget  | 2021 Proposed | (\$) Change   | (%) Change |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Stormwater       | \$1,350,750  | \$1,521,146   | \$170,396     | 12.6%      |
| Street Maint.    | \$3,149,307  | \$3,542,454   | \$393,147     | 12.5%      |
| Natural Gas      | \$18,331,262 | \$16,913,773  | (\$1,417,489) | (7.7%)     |
| Electric         | \$75,980,325 | \$76,388,034  | \$407,709     | 0.5%       |
| Water            | \$11,190,105 | \$11,641,215  | \$451,110     | 4.0%       |
| Wastewater       | \$8,103,960  | \$8,325,835   | \$221,874     | 2.7%       |
| Parking          | \$527,676    | \$513,807     | (\$13,868)    | (2.7%)     |
| Fleet            | \$3,121,365  | \$2,955,737   | (\$165,628)   | (5.3%)     |
| CS/Meter Reading | \$2,869,870  | \$2,981,543   | \$111,673     | 3.9%       |
| Telcomm          | \$567,215    | \$591,540     | \$24,325      | 4.3%       |

# 2020 to 2021 FTE Comparison

#### **FTEs**

- 1) 2020 Budgeted Positions (Includes PT and Seasonal) = 677
- 2) 2021 Budgeted Positions (Includes PT and Seasonal) = 676
- 3) Current Full-Time Positions **Only** = 593

#### Down 5 Positions w/ Budget Reductions in Spring 2020

#### **New Positions**

- 1) Natural Gas Leak Surveyor [perform safety compliance required leak survey of gas system, prepare/submit regulatory report, succession planning]
- 2) Associate Civil Engineer [oversee design, engineering and quality control/inspections for street paving/improvements]
- 3) Application Support Specialist[supports computer applications setup, administration and security for all departments]
- 4) Electric Inspector [This will only be a new position for training purposes as current Electric Inspector is expected to retire in 2021]

# 2020 vs 2021 - Budget Comparison

#### 2020 vs 2021 - General Fund Budget Comparison

- 1) Decreased income tax revenue by \$400,000 or 1.82% compared to 2020 Adopted Budget. Note 2020 Adopted Budget for income tax revenue was conservatively budgeted \$770,000 or 3.38% less than 2019 actual collections.
- 2) Budgeting \$200,000 in 2021 vs \$100,000 in 2020 Adopted Budget for blight remediation and nuisance demolitions
- 3) Chargebacks to utilities down \$346,000 from 2020 Adopted Budget
- 4) At this point, the 2021 grand total proposed budgeted expenditures are \$48,670,652 vs. the 2020 Adopted Budget of \$47,859,400

## Takeaways

#### **Takeaways**

- 1) Conservative budget due to uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, while remaining focused on neighborhoods, small businesses and maintaining public services and spaces (all which allow us to retain/recruit larger businesses)
- 2) 2021 budgeted FTEs are less than what was budgeted in 2020
- 3) Utility rates are stable
- 4) General Fund expenditures budgeted for 2021 are very similar to 2008 actual expenditures not adjusted for inflation

